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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Dodge, et al.

Serial No.: 10/008,501

Filed: December 6, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3746

Examiner: Freay, Charles G.

Docket No. 742201-1053

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS**

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002. Claims 1 and 2 were rejected on the basis of a defective reissue declaration. The Examiner has objected to the Amendment filed and the proposed drawing.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Response/Amendment  
 Fee as Calculated Below  
 No additional fee is required.  
 Small Entity status has been established.

Terminal Disclaimer  
 Corrected Drawings  
 Other:

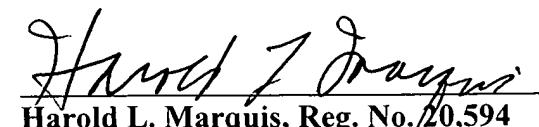
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED FOR LARGE ENTITY</b>					
	Claims After Amendment	Highest Prev. Paid For	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims		-	0	x \$9.00	= \$0
Independent Claims		-	0	x \$42.00	= \$0
<b>Total Additional Fee for this Amendment</b>					<b>= \$0</b>

A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.  
 A Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 is attached in the amount of \$ .  
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to our Deposit Account No. the amount of \$ for the fee identified above. A duplicate of this Amendment Transmittal Letter is included herewith.  
 The Commissioner is authorized to charge any insufficiencies, and the Commissioner is hereby requested to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

Customer No.: 24504

**THOMAS, KAYDEN, HORSTEMEYER  
& RISLEY, L.L.P.**

Date: Dec 20, 2001

  
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Attached are the following documents for filing with the USPTO:

Postcard  
Amendment Transmittal Form (1 Page)  
Response to Office Action (with Declaration and Assignment)  
Letter to Draftperson and (6 Pages of Drawings)